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To: School District Superintendents

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Subject: Web-based Resource Tools Transition Update

IMPORTANT AND TIME SENSITIVE INFORMATION

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) communicated on May 2, 2008 in [Memorandum No. 2008-067](#) (http://www.k12.wy.us/A/supt_memos/2008_067.pdf) that this was a year of transition for web-based resources. As a result, the contract with Edmin/EdGate expires on **June 30, 2009**. In this transition year the following tools were purchased and accessible for all Wyoming school districts through the Wyoming Education Fusion Portal:

- Blackboard
- INFORM
- netTrekker
- Success

With the year of transition soon coming to an end, we offer the following information on the above products:

- Blackboard: The WDE is currently in conversation with Blackboard on maintaining it as a Content Management System (CMS) Platform and making it still accessible for those online classroom needs. More information will soon follow.
- INFORM: For school year 2009-2010, school districts will continue to have access through a WDE secure website to their student level test results as they have over the last few years. In addition, a “traffic signal” report has also been created to help meet the needs

of educators and will be available this summer. The point of access will be the Wyoming Education Fusion portal. During school year 2009-2010 the WDE and school districts will develop a comprehensive RFP and select a quality data analytic tool that will be collaboratively designed. Please see the Memorandum No. 2009-069: Development of RFP for State wide Data Analytic Tool for additional information.

INFORM is also available through Mosaic-A Consortium of Wyoming Educators for those school districts that would like to continue to purchase it for the interim year of 2009-2010. Please contact Cassie Lallak at 307-777-5463 or clalla@educ.state.wy.us for more information.

- netTrekker and Success: Both vendors are working with Mosaic-A Consortium of Wyoming Educators, to provide discounted pricing for Wyoming school districts. If you would like to continue access to these products and build purchasing power, please contact Cassie Lallak at 307-777-5463 or clalla@educ.state.wy.us.

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